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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed June 28, 2007, having a shortened period for response set to expire on September 28, 2007. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.